

CERR Changes Emissions Inventory

This letter explaining changes to next years emissions inventory was recently mailed to all inventoried facilities. Additional information about new reporting requirements will be discussed during the emissions inventory workshops that will be held in January 2004.

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Dear Company Representative:

In response to the federally mandated Consolidated Emissions Reporting Rule (CERR), the Emission Inventory Section of the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality has developed an updated set of forms for reporting air emission inventories. Existing facilities will receive the updated forms for their 2003 emission inventory. Updated blank forms will be available on the DEQ website.

All turnaround document fields must be filled in. Enter "NA", if a field does not apply. Beginning with 2003 emissions reported in 2004, any inventories submitted with fields missing data or fields left blank will not be accepted and will be considered incomplete. Some fields in the new forms, such as seasonal operation percentage, will have pre-loaded default values that should be reviewed for accuracy. As always, fields that are left unchanged will be entered as the correct value for the reporting year. Incomplete inventories may be returned for completion.

All pollutants, including NH₃ (ammonia) and PM 2.5 must be reported individually. Emission points must also be reported individually. A facility with a permit allowing aggregation of emission points toward an emission cap must report the information for the individual points.

All emissions occurring at a facility must be reported. Actual emissions from upsets, startup, shut-down, control equipment malfunction, excess emissions and other abnormal operating conditions must be reported as part of the inventory. On the 2004 turnaround document a field will be provided to indicate what part of the emissions reported were "excess emissions". Only the methods of emissions calculation cited in Oklahoma Administrative Code (OAC), Air Pollution Control, Title 252, Chapter 100-5-1 to -5-3 will be accepted.

Any questions concerning filing an emission inventory, regulated air pollutants, or the emission of toxic air contaminants should be referred to the Emissions Inventory Staff at 405-702-4100. Also, refer to OAC 252:100-5-1 to -5-3 for additional information concerning registration, emission inventory and annual operating fees.

Sincerely,



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U.S. EPA/State Sixth Annual Air Inspector Workshop

The U.S. EPA/State Sixth Annual Air Inspector Workshop was held May 6, 7 and 8 in Santa Fe, New Mexico. The scope of the workshop changed for this session. Since states' budgets have been tight, fewer people from the Region Six area were able to attend. Therefore, the workshop was opened to the other EPA regions. The response was phenomenal and 160 inspectors came from all over the country. Areas as far away as Washington, California, Michigan, Washington D.C., and Pennsylvania were represented, including some Tribal Lands.

Four attendees from the Air Quality Division represented the ODEQ. Presentations were given on the ODEQ Excess Emission Program on the first day of the conference, and on Stack Test Observations on the second day. Both presentations were met with a great deal of interest. Conference participants raised several questions and inquiries were made as to how similar programs could be implemented in their areas. Ideas were also exchanged on several topics including interviewing skills, portable exhaust analyzers, thermal oxidation, VOC storage tank inspections and sulfur recovery.



Johnnie Little of ODEQ makes a stack test presentation.



Presentations were well received by representatives from many state, federal and tribal agencies.

Next year's workshop is set to take place in Texas. The topics to be covered promise to include an expansion of previous topics as well as new areas of interest. Copies of the AQD presentations are available by contacting (405) 702-4100.